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Strengthening the institutional arrangements of the United Nations for support of gender equality and the empowerment of women by consolidating the four existing offices into a composite entity

The Commission on the Status of Women,

Recognizing the significant role of the United Nations system in promoting gender equality and the empowerment of women worldwide,

Welcomes General Assembly resolution 63/311 of 14 September 2009, in particular the provisions on strengthening the institutional arrangements for support of gender equality and the empowerment of women by consolidating the four existing offices into a composite entity led by an Under-Secretary-General, and looks forward to its full implementation.

* In accordance with rule 69 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

** On behalf of State Members of the United Nations that are members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries.

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